

## STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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March 9, 2007

Mark Pellegrini, AICP Director of Neighborhood Services And Economic Development Manchester Town Hall 41 Center St., P.O. Box 191 Manchester, CT 06045-0191

RE: **DOCKET NO. 323** - MCF Communications bg, Inc. and Omnipoint Communications, Inc. application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 12 Carpenter Road, Bolton, Connecticut.

Dear Mr. Pellegrini:

The Connecticut Siting Council is in receipt of your recent correspondence concerning Docket No. 323. Thank you for taking the time to convey your thoughts to us.

Before making its final decision on an application, the Council will carefully consider all the facts of the record. The record is developed by the Council; the applicant, parties and intervenors in the proceeding; and members of the public who submit written statements to the Council.

Please note that the Council developed a deliberate schedule to provide all persons an opportunity to participate. This schedule included public hearing in Bolton for the benefit of the public. The Council will continue the hearing in New Britain, to allow parties and intervenors in this proceeding an opportunity to thoroughly review the application and exhibits, and to prepare their own testimony.

Thank you for your interest and concern in this very important matter. The Council is guided by its jurisdiction under Connecticut State Law and endeavors to hold all proceedings fairly and open to the public. Please be assured that your comments will be carefully considered and made part of the record.

Yours very truly

STDerek Phelps C Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors (w/Town Comment letter)





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CONNECTICUT SITING COUNCIL

Re: Docket 323: Bolton

MCF Communications and Omni Point Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

The Town of Manchester appreciates the opportunity to submit the following for the Council's consideration regarding the proposed cell tower and appurtenant facilities at 12 Carpenter Road in Bolton:

- 1) Although the parcel on which the facilities would be located is privately owned it lies in the watershed of the Porter Reservoir and abuts land owned by the Town of Manchester water company. This reservoir is an active part of the town's public water supply system.
- 2) Because of its location relative to the reservoir's watershed, MCF Communications should be required to employ best management practices both during the construction of the facility and its operation and maintenance, if the Council grants its approval to this request. These best management practices should include erosion control measures during construction; stabilization of all disturbed areas after construction; the type of construction and methods of containment related to any facilities such as electrical power generators which will be located at the site and may involve fuel or hazardous materials or substances. We also request the Council consider requiring MCF Communications and any carriers located at the tower to provide the Town of Manchester water department with an inventory of materials stored on the site and contacts for MCF or communications companies (name, phone, mailing address, etc.) in the event of a hazardous material release or other problem that may affect the watershed. We also request the water department be consulted on these measures and receive a copy of the best management plans.



We note that the Council is also considering a proposal for a cell tower at 1027 Middle Turnpike West in Manchester (Docket #328). We believe the Council should be certain as to whether two cell towers in such close proximity are necessary, and consider which of the two would be the better site both for service and their impact in their respective neighborhoods.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Very truly yours,

Mark Pellegrini, AICP

Director of Neighborhood Services

and Economic Development

cc: Scott Shanley, General Manager Ed Soper, Water & Sewer Administrator Rich Staye, Water & Sewer Department

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## LIST OF PARTIES AND INTERVENORS $\underline{\text{SERVICE LIST}}$

| Status Granted  | Status Holder (name, address & phone number)  | Representative<br>(name, address & phone number)   |
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| Intervenor<br>( approved on<br>1/4/07)                            | Sprint Nextel Corporation   | Thomas Regan Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP City Place I, 185 Asylum Avenue Hartford, CT 06103-3402             |
| Intervenor<br>(approved on<br>1/4/07)                             | Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon<br>Wireless  | Kenneth C. Baldwin Robinson and Cole LLP 280 Trumbull Street Hartford, CT 06103-3597                               |
| Intervenor<br>(approved on<br>1/4/07)<br>(Withdrew on<br>1/22/07) | New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC ~WITHDRAWN~  | Christopher B. Fisher, Esq. Cuddy and Feder LLP 445 Hamilton Avenue, 14 <sup>th</sup> Floor White Plains, NY 10601 |